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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Docket No: A7977

Gary R. ROGERS

Appln. No.: 09/897,386

Group Art Unit: 2839

Confirmation No.: 9876

Examiner: Thanh Tam T. Le

Filed: July 03, 2001

For:

MULTI AXIS RIBBON

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Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

An Amendment Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.111 is attached hereto for concurrent filing in the above-identified application. The resulting excess claim fee has been calculated as shown below:

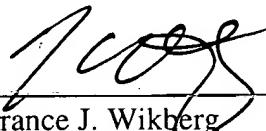
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A check for the statutory fee of \$72.00 is attached. The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account. A duplicate copy of this letter is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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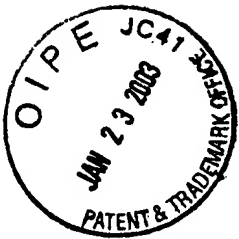
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated October 24, 2002, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

**Please enter the following amended claims:**

1. (Amended) A multi axis fiber optic ribbon, comprising:

a central portion; and

a plurality of removable extensions bonded to and extending from said central portion, at least one of said extensions containing at least one optical fiber;

wherein at least one of said extensions extends from said central portion along an axis different from at least one other extension.